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PRINTING OF HISTORY TEXT BOOK
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the History Text Books available in 2000 are being reprinted without any content changes since 2004 ;

(b) is so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has started reprinting of these books as they are in accordance with 2000 National Curriculum frame-work; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b) Following history textbooks that were available in 2000 are being currently reprinted since 2004 and being taught in the academic session 2006-07.

1. Medieval India - A Textbook in History for Class VII by Prof. Romila Thapar.

2. Modern India ~ A History Textbook for Class VIII by Prof. Arjun Dev and Prof. Indira Arjun Dev.

3. Story of Civilization, Volume Two - A History Textbook for Class X by Prof. Arjun Dev.

4. Modern India - Textbook for Class XII by Prof. Bipin Chandra.

5. Contemporary World History ~ A History Textbook for Class XII, Part I & II by Prof. Arjun Dev et al.

All reprint editions, appearing every year, carry suitable editorial corrections and changes. These are done on the basis of suggestions received from various individuals and organizations. Particularly, the book, Story of Civilization, Volume Two-A History Textbook for Class X by Prof. Arjun Dev as was available in 2000 was split into two parts on the recommendations of the Neeladri Bhattacharya Committee and reprinted in March 2005 for Classes IX and X. Of these two books the Class IX book has been replaced by the new book India and the Contemporary World -1 from the academic session 2006-07.

(c)&(d) No, Sir. Since National Curriculum Framework (NCF) - 2005 has been introduced from the academic session 2006-07 new text books based on NCF-2005 are being introduced in phased manner.